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## **Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Buffer Zone Protection Program Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

### **1. What is the purpose of the FY 2010 Buffer Zone Protection Program (BZPP)?**

The purpose of the FY 2010 BZPP is to help state and local governments protect national critical infrastructure and key resources (CIKRs) from terrorist attacks. The program supports the implementation of Buffer Zone Plans (BZPs) by providing the funding to buy equipment and support planning efforts.

### **2. How much funding is available under the FY 2010 BZPP?**

The total amount of funds to be distributed under the FY 2010 BZPP is \$48 million.

### **3. What are the priorities for the FY 2010 BZPP?**

DHS encourages state and local jurisdictions to consider the following activities as priorities under the FY 2010 BZPP:

- Coordination of operational activities with public and private sector partners
- Coordination of operational and situational awareness activities with fusion centers and/or emergency operations centers (EOCs)
- Coordination and involvement of multidisciplinary partners in the development and implementation of preventive and protective measures
- Strengthening Improvised Explosive Device (IED) attack prevention and protection capabilities
- Integration of Constellation/Automated Critical Asset Management System (CA/ACAMS) and the DHS CIKR Taxonomy in CIKR collection, storage/catalog, and reporting information technology (IT) solutions, databases, and processes

### **4. Who was eligible to apply for FY 2010 BZPP funds?**

Eligible applicants to apply for and administer funds under the FY 2010 BZPP were State Administrative Agencies (SAAs). SAAs will be responsible for obligating funds to the appropriate local units of government or other designated recipients. The SAA must coordinate all BZPP activities with their respective State Homeland Security Advisor (HSA).

**5. How were the FY 2010 BZPP awards determined?**

The risk methodology for the FY 2010 BZPP is linked to the risk methodology used to determine eligibility for the core DHS state and local grant programs. DHS leverages information collected through state data calls and from Federal Sector Specific Agencies (SSA) to analyze relative risk between specific CIKR sites. DHS allocates BZPP resources by prioritizing funding for jurisdictions with high risk sites.

**6. What legislation authorized funding for the FY 2010 BZPP?**

The *Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010* (Public Law 111-83) provided funding for this program.

**7. Where is the FY 2010 BZPP Guidance and Application Kit located?**

The FY 2010 BZPP Guidance and Application Kit is located online at <http://www.fema.gov/grants> as well as on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).

**8. What other resources are available to address programmatic, technical, and financial questions?**

- For additional program-specific information, please contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) help line at (800) 368-6498 or [askcsid@dhs.gov](mailto:askcsid@dhs.gov). CSID hours of operation are from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday.
- For financial-related questions, including pre-and post-award administration and technical assistance, applicants may contact the FEMA Grant Programs Directorate Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail to [ASK-GMD@dhs.gov](mailto:ASK-GMD@dhs.gov).

**9. What is the FY 2010 BZPP period of performance?**

The period of performance of this grant is 36 months.